

## REMARKS

Applicants have carefully studied the outstanding Office Action. The present amendment is intended to place the application in condition for allowance and is believed to overcome all of the objections and rejections made by the Examiner. Favorable reconsideration and allowance of the application are respectfully requested.

Applicants have amended claims 12 and 27 to more properly claim the present invention. No new matter has been added. Claims 12 - 15, 18 and 27 - 30 are presented for examination.

In Paragraphs 1 - 7 of the Office Action, claims 12 - 15, 18 and 27 - 30 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over Dykes et al, U.S. Patent No. 5,872,915 ("Dykes") in view of Scherpbier, U.S. Patent No. 6,263,365 ("Scherpbier").

The rejections of claims 12 - 15, 18 and 27 - 30 in paragraphs 1 - 7 of the Office Action will now be dealt with specifically.

As to amended independent method claim 12, applicants respectfully submit that the limitation in claim 12 of:

*"transmitting a program applet with a password embedded therewithin from a server computer to a client computer, via a network, the password having a limited operational life, the program applet including executable code that runs on the client computer"*

is neither shown nor suggested in Dykes or Scherpbier, taken individually or in combination.

In Paragraph 3 of the Office Action, the Examiner has cited Dykes as disclosing transmitting a program applet with a password embedded therein from a server computer to a client computer. Applicants respectfully submit that a program applet is an application that runs on a client computer, whereas Dykes describes an application that runs on a server computer. Specifically, the data flow in Dykes is illustrated in FIGS. 3, 5 and 6, and described at col. 7, line 29 - col. 8, line 27, and at col. 8, line 31 - col. 10 line 17, and at col. 14, line 54 - col. 15, line 15, respectively. Following the notation from FIG. 6 of Dykes, input to software application 342 (FIGS. 3 and 5) flows from

web browser --> web server --> gateway --> software application  
CW-->WS-->GCS-->SACS ,

and output from software application 342 flows back in the reverse direction,

software application --> gateway --> web server --> web browser  
SACS-->GCS-->WS-->CW .

Regarding the subject claim 12, applicants note that, in distinction, and as Dykes points out at col. 5, lines 5 and 6, a Java applet is executable code that is transmitted to a web browser.

To further clarify this distinction, applicants have amended claim 12 to include the limitation that the program applet includes executable code that runs on the client computer.

Applicants further submit that Dykes does not disclose transmitting a password embedded within a program applet from a server computer to a client computer. FIG. 5 of Dykes, and the discussion thereof at col. 8, lines 49 – 53, make it clear that password information is sent from a client computer to a server computer (step 521).

Similarly, as applicants indicated in their previous response, Scherpbier also describes sending password information from a client computer to a control module residing on a server computer.

Claim 12, in distinction, indicates sending password information in the reverse direction to that of Dykes and Scherpbier, namely, from a server computer to a client computer, as illustrated by the arrow labeled “APPLET, PASSWORD” that points from right to left in FIG. 1 of the subject specification.

Because claims 13 – 15 and 18 depend from claim 12 and include additional features, applicants respectfully submit that claims 13 – 15 and 18 are not anticipated or rendered obvious by Dykes, Scherpbier or a combination of Dykes and Scherpbier.

Accordingly claims 12 – 15 and 18 are deemed to be allowable.

For the same rationale as set forth hereinabove with respect to method claim 12, applicants respectfully submit that the limitations in independent system claim 27 of:

*“a program applet including executable code that runs on a client computer”*; and

*“embed said password within said program applet, and transmit said program applet with said password embedded therewithin to the client computer via a network”*

are neither shown nor suggested in Dykes or Scherpbier, taken individually or in combination.

Because claims 28 – 30 depend from claim 27 and include additional features, applicants respectfully submit that claims 28 – 30 are not anticipated or rendered obvious by Dykes, Scherpbier or a combination of Dykes and Scherpbier.

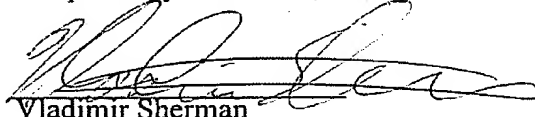
Accordingly claims 27 – 30 are deemed to be allowable.

**Support for Amended Claims in Original Specification**

The limitation of a program applet that is delivered from a server computer to a client computer and that runs on the client computer, is described in the original specification at page 1, second paragraph.

For the foregoing reasons, applicant respectfully submits that the applicable objections and rejections have been overcome and that the claims are in condition for allowance.

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